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HONGKONG, DECEMBER 11TH, 1908.

The Crown Colonies have not much reason to
bless the present Government in England, but the self-governing Colonies have
at least the satisfaction of knowing that the Imperial Government is in sympathy with
their efforts to solve one of the gravest
problems which have for years been confronting them all—we mean the problem of
Asiatic immigration. Australia, New Zealand and Canada have deemed it necessary to adopt drastic measures to stop the
influx of Chinese and Japanese immigrants while the South African Colonies have
awoken to the grave peril of immigration from India and have sought relief in the
same way that it is obtained in Australia and the United States. Speaking as a guest of
the Liberal Colonial Club, London recently Colonel SEELEY expressed his entire
agreement with the principle of the objection of the people of Natal and the Transvaal, and he agreed also that Australia should be reserved for the white races provided they
proved themselves sufficiently prolific.

"So long," he said, "as Australian statesmen, backed by the unanimous opinion of the people of Australia said that their country could only be well governed if the exclusion of Asiatics were maintained, the Government at home must endorse that proposal."

The problem of finding the solution so far as the Indians are concerned is a much more difficult one than that which relates to Chinese or Japanese immigration. Japan has been able to solve the difficulty of accommodating an expanding population by the acquisition of territories large enough to absorb her overflow for many years to come. India, on the other hand, stands in great need of an outlet for her surplus. British East Africa has been suggested for colonization by Indians. The suggestion has had the support of Mr. WINSTON CHURCHILL, if it was not he, in fact, who originated the idea. Men who have spent their lives in Africa, who have watched the present problems forming have pronounced against the idea and pointed out that it would simply mean retreating in another part of Africa the very problem now awaiting solution in Natal. It was probably with some knowledge of the case against the proposal that Colonel SEELEY expressed in the speech to which we have alluded the opinion that "we should do wrong to adopt that plan unless we are convinced that the country would not attract and support a great white race. Whether it would do so or not could only be tested by time, and we must wait and see." This enables us to understand that the Under-Secretary meant when he said earlier in his speech that the immigration problem involves a lesson in patience. It is a lesson which will outlast the lifetime of the present generation of politicians.

But what of China? In Australia and on the Pacific Slopes of America "the real difficulty" is with China, and it is not an uncommon thing to see the statement glibly made that China cannot support her present population. "Her 450 millions," says one writer "are at present confined to a country not capable of supporting 300 millions in accordance with civilised ideas." Now, if we take the opinion of Sir ALEXANDER HOPE who has travelled in nearly every province in China, the estimate of 450 millions must be reduced by at least one hundred million, and in many of the provinces there are vast areas but sparsely populated. It does not follow that "as civilised ideas come in, an overflow of population is inevitable." Rather ought those ideas to serve in keeping the population at home, for the application of civilised ideas in the promotion of industry and trade and the exploitation of the mineral wealth of China should provide employment enough to render emigration unnecessary on account of any inability to find the means of livelihood. China is evidently not anxious to encourage emigration on any large scale and if there is an unemployed problem in China it does not seem to force itself into prominence.

The French Mail of the 10th November was delivered in London on the 9th inst.

Vessels coming from the South are apparently encountering heavy weather, and are consequently arriving late.

The foreign residents registered at Tsingtau according to the latest published return number 1,654 comprising 1,412 Germans, 22 Americans, 14 Austrians, 9 British, 7 Swiss, 7 Dutch, 4 Russians, 8 French, 2 Danish, 2 Italians, 1 Turkish, 9 Indians, and 161 Japanese:

It will interest lovers of music to know that the Hongkong Philharmonic Society intend to give their first concert this season on Friday, January 8th, 1909. Local orchestral rehearsals are now vigorously proceeding under the able conductorship of Mr. Denman Fuller, F.R.O.O. L.E.A.M.

Inspector Ritchie, after seventeen years' service in the Hongkong Police, has retired from the force on pension and leaves for home to-morrow. He joined the Edinburgh Police in 1886 and came out to Hongkong in 1891. A very efficient officer, his departure will be regretted by all his colleagues.

At the Magistracy yesterday a Chinese woman was brought up on a charge of having attempted to commit suicide. She had gone to Macao and losing money at fantaun feared the wrath of her husband and on arrival at Hongkong jumped into the harbour. Mr. Kemp cautioned and discharged her.

The case in which Messrs. H. Rattonage & Son were summoned for an offence under the Stamp Ordinance came on at the Magistracy yesterday before Mr. J. R. Wood. Defendants since the last hearing had been summoned from the Supreme Court. Mr. Denys, from the Crown Solicitors' office, appeared for the prosecution and asked his Worship to impose a fine in respect of each of the three summonses. His Worship inflicted a fine of \$25 in respect of each proceeding, \$75 in all.

Another witness stated that near the place where he found the blood-stained razor he discovered a cap belonging to Private Marsh.

Mr. Kemp—I may say that the presence of

The Royal Society has awarded a Royal medal to Professor John Milne on the ground of his pre-eminent services in the modern development of seismological science. We may recall that for twenty years he was in the employment of the Japanese Government, and he filled the important task of establishing the seismic survey of Japan embracing nearly one thousand stations.

Great sums of money, the British Consul says, have been expended on Government enterprises of all kinds at Chian-fu, in Shantung, such as the mint, the arsenal, numerous schools and colleges, a model reformatory, two industrial schools, an agricultural college and forestry department, a steam silk factory, a steam flour mill, dredgers and much else, though now, since the accession to office of the present Governor, a policy of strict retrenchment which the German press in Tsingtao picturesquely characterizes as "the iron broom" has set in with results still to be seen.

The new Emperor is to be known as Hsuan Tung. Now, according to Stent, says a writer in the Shanghai Mercury, Hsuan means "to proclaim, to declare, or to read loudly." Tung means "lead, a leader, the beginning, or the whole." A very pretty fable lies here for the ingenious, or ingenuous, translator. The new baby ruler may be the "proclaimed leader," and if so, whom is he to lead; where is he to lead them, and against whom? Or he may be the "declared origin" of a new era, the "proclaimed beginning" of a fresh regime, or a score of other things. It does not seem that these titles are necessarily prophetic. "Kwang-tung," the official name of the late Emperor, literally means "continuation of glory," not perhaps the epithet which will be most eagerly seized on by historians of the future to describe his reign. So "Tung-chi," the name of the predecessor, meant "Peace and order," the "peace" being that which was won by rebellion and foreign war, and the "order" such as followed the exhaustion brought about by them. The China Times says that "Hsuan Tung" means "to publish to all;" it doesn't say what is to be published. That is one of the charms common to telegraphese and wan-li alike.

The Spanish Consul of Shanghai, Mr. A. F. Arias, upon his investigation into the professional conduct of Mr. G. D. Musso with reference to the registration as a Spanish protégé of Wong Chow-sun has found that so far as the Spanish Consulate was concerned, Mr. Musso's conduct was throughout correct. Although the fees paid by the woman to Mr. Musso were paid at the time she was recognized as a Spanish protégé, the Court could not enter into the merits of this point, an agreement between Counsel and client having interceded, which the Court would not be justified in discussing. At the same time, as the Court would have been ready to pass censure, if necessary, upon Mr. Musso, within the limits of its jurisdiction, it took opportunity of praising Mr. Musso for having undertaken in divers instances the defence *in forma pauperis* of poor Spaniards, which, within the knowledge of the Court, involved considerable loss of time to him. The Mixed Court recently withdrew its permission for Mr. Musso to appear in that Court on account of this case.

A SOLDIER'S DEATH.

Rather a gruesome story was told at the inquiry held at the Magistracy yesterday into the circumstances attending the death of Lance Corp. Smith, of the Buffs Regiment. Mr. J. H. Kemp conducted the inquiry and the jury was composed of Messrs. A. Sinclair, W. Hindwick, and L. V. Langstein.

Detective-Sergeant Appleton spoke to being called to Murray Barracks on November 27th, where, on the east side between the oil store and the bread store, he found a large pool of blood. He traced the blood marks to the door of the guard room, about 50 yards distant. He examined the ground, but found no signs of a struggle. The razor produced was handed to witness by the adjutant. At the military mortuary witness saw the body of deceased, there being a large cut in the throat and teeth-marks on one of his hands. A perusal of deceased's correspondence threw no light on the subject.

Medical Officer Perry, R.A.M.C., stated that when he examined the body he found a large incisive wound about four and half inches long, about the larynx. It was a clean cut wound, and was deeper on the left side than the right. He also examined the body, and the only other marks of violence were teeth marks on the left wrist, the impression corresponding to the teeth of deceased. Witness was of opinion that this wound was self-inflicted.

Corporal Potter stated that he was returning to barracks when on getting near the oil stores he heard someone gasping for breath. A moment later a man rushed out and fell at witness's feet. Witness saw that he was bleeding from the throat, and almost immediately the man got up and rushed towards him. Witness got the stretcher, and deceased was taken away.

Private Smith, who was in the company of the previous witness, stated that while the stretcher was being fetched deceased rushed at him in such a manner that witness ran to the guard room. Deceased followed, and came up the steps past way, and then fell down. On an endeavour being made to get him into the stretcher a violent struggle took place. Deceased was well liked by every one.

Another witness stated that near the place where he found the blood-stained razor he discovered a cap belonging to Private Marsh.

Mr. Kemp—I may say that the presence of

Private Marsh's cap will be explained by a witness who cannot attend to-day, but who will be called at the next adjournment.

Witness added that deceased knew Private Marsh and was on friendly terms with him, being in the band together.

In consequence of four witnesses being unable to attend, the inquiry was adjourned until to-day (Friday).

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TELEGRAMS.

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BRITAIN'S NAVAL POLICY.

LONDON, December 10th. The British Admirals have had a meeting at which they urged a stronger naval policy.

"NEAR EASTERN" SITUATION.

LONDON, December 10th. Vienna anticipates a settlement of the "Near Eastern" situation. Great fears, however, are entertained elsewhere.

THE UNITED STATES BUDGET.

LONDON, December 10th. It is anticipated that the United States will have to meet a deficit of 143 millions.

WINTER GALES.

LONDON, December 10th. A violent gale is raging in the English Channel.

A SHANGHAI LIBEL ACTION.

LONDON, December 10th. The action for alleged libel by Mr. E. T. Bethel against the "North China Daily News" is concluded. Plaintiff has been awarded \$3,000.

[BEUTE'S SERVICE.]

GERMANY AND THE NEAR EAST.

LONDON, December 8th. Prince Bismarck speaking in the Reichstag said he wished to see the New Turkey strengthened politically and economically. In regard to the Balkans, Germany had left to other and more interested powers, the lead at the diplomatic gate but he emphatically affirmed loyalty to Austria. Count Ivolsky had assured him that no Anglo-Russian understanding existed against Germany. The Prince welcomed the Japanese-American agreement as absolutely in accord with the principles of German policy in the Far East as expressed in the Anglo-German Agreement of 1900 to which Japan adhered. The Prince concluded by saying that Germany would strenuously work for peace in the Balkans.

THE UNITED STATES.

LONDON, December 8th. President Roosevelt in a message to Congress dwells on the prosperity of the country, reiterates his views on Trusts, advocates industrial co-partnerships, and condemns delays and denials of justice through the Judges' subservience to petty technicalities.

Foreign policy must, he says, be based on principle prevailing between honourable individuals. The President pays a high compliment to the great progress of Japan and thanks her for the generous hospitality extended to the fleet, urges the completion, as soon as possible, of four battleships, the creation of a general staff of the navy, and the most rapid building of the Panama canal. A series of photographs is attached to the Message showing the appalling desolation caused in North China through deforestation.

THE BANDMANN COMEDY COMPANY.

Owing to the delay in the arrival of the English mail steamer the Bandmann Comedy Co. were unable to open their season at the Theatre last night, and we are asked to announce that the comedy "The Lady of Ostend" which was advertised for this evening is withdrawn.

The comedy "Lady Frederick" will be given instead. Tickets taken for Thursday will hold good for this evening and those who have taken tickets for the performance of "The Lady of Ostend" can either have their money returned or exchange them for seats at this evening's performance of "Lady Frederick." If circumstances admit, a matinee performance of "The Lady of Ostend" may be given during the Company's stay in the Colony.

A Shanghai contemporary states that the

action "Heek v. Arnhold, Karberg and Co.", which was originated many months ago in the German Consular Court here, will be argued in the Appeal Court at Leipzig this month.

The action was brought by the plaintiff for recovery of damages against Messrs. Arnhold, Karberg and Co. for alleged wrongful dismissal, and on account of the nature of the case, it created

much interest here. The defendants gave as

one of their grounds for dismissal that the

plaintiff had refused to do work after five o'clock

in the evening, and in answer to this the plaintiff

said that he had been dismissed because he

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SUPREME COURT.

Thursday, 10th December.

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HONGKONG LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

A meeting of the Hongkong Legislative Council was held yesterday in the Council Chamber.

HIS EXCELLENCE THE GOVERNOR, SIR FREDERICK JOHN DEALTRY LUGARD, K.C.M.G., C.B., D.S.O.

H. E. MAJOR-GENERAL R. G. BROADWOOD, C.B., A.C.D. (General Officer Commander).

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Hon. Mr. W. REES DAVIES, K.C. (Attorney-General).

Hon. Mr. A. M. THOMSON (Colonial Treasurer).

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Hon. Mr. E. A. IRVING (Registrar-General).

Hon. Mr. J. BADELEY, (Capt. Superintendent of Police).

Hon. Dr. HO KAI, M.B., C.M., C.M.G.

Hon. Mr. WEI YUK, C.M.G.

Hon. Mr. E. A. HEWITT.

Hon. Mr. H. A. W. SLADE.

Hon. Mr. W. J. GREGSON.

Hon. Mr. CLEMENT (Clock of Councils).

MINUTES.

The minutes of the last meeting were read, and confirmed.

FINANCIAL MINUTES.

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY, by command of His Excellency the Governor, laid on the table Financial Minute (No. 69) and moved that it be referred to the Finance Committee.

THE COLONIAL TREASURER seconded, and the motion was agreed to.

FINANCIAL ORDINANCE.

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY, by command of His Excellency the Governor, laid on the table the report of the Finance Committee (No. 19) and moved its adoption.

THE COLONIAL TREASURER seconded, and the motion was agreed to.

NEW TERRITORIES SMALL DEBT COURT ORDINANCE.

THE ATTORNEY GENERAL moved the second reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance to empower a Magistrate to hold a Small Debt Court in the New Territories and to regulate the proceedings in relation thereto. In doing so he said—Experience has shown that it is desirable to enable a magistrate to deal with small debts in the New Territories. The powers conferred under the Magistrates' Ordinance of 1890 generally extend to civil debts in the ordinary sense of the term, as they are confined to claims declared by the Ordinance to be civil debts. The question has therefore arisen as to whether civil debts come within the jurisdiction of a Magistrate who proposes to give a magistrate jurisdiction to hear and deal with cases summarily. It requires that a defendant do reside or carry on business in any part of the New Territories exclusive of New Kowloon which is defined in Ordinance 6 of 1901. It further requires that action be brought within three years after the cause of action arises. That is after the general principle prevailing in the Statute of Limitations which requires an action to be brought within a definite period of time after the cause of action arises. This Bill creates the necessary machinery for carrying this out and for issuing the process of the court in respect of which any judgment should be given. It empowers a magistrate if in his opinion the subject of action is of sufficient importance to be dealt with in the Supreme Court to decline to proceed with the action and the plaintiff then will have a right to start *de novo* on the Summary side of the Supreme Court. This is an important provision because having regard to the fact that the amount of claim is limited to \$200 it is not proposed in the Bill to grant any right of appeal. Questions may arise which the magistrate may consider of sufficient importance to engage the attention of the Supreme Court and questions with which he would not be justified in dealing summarily he is given by this Bill power to refer the matter to the Supreme Court. He is also empowered to review any judgment or decision given by him within one month of date and to re-open and re-trial cases. That Sir, already exists under the Summary Jurisdiction Ordinance. It appears to be a proper one because it is quite possible that evidence will then be forthcoming which was not available at the time judgment was given. The Bill is based generally on precedent, on the Summary Jurisdiction Act of 1873, and it certainly seems desirable in as far as distance is concerned and with a view to expediting the administration of justice in the New Territories that this Bill should be passed.

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY seconded and the motion was agreed to.

The Council then went into Committee to consider the Bill clause by clause, and on resuming the ATTORNEY-GENERAL reported that the Bill had passed through committee without amendment.

MAGISTRALES ORDINANCE AMENDMENT.

THE ATTORNEY GENERAL moved the second reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend the Magistrates' Ordinance 1890 and to effect certain other amendments in the Criminal Law. In doing so he said—It also affects some small amendments in the criminal law of the colony. The objects and reasons which are attached to the Bill give categorically the reasons for each section. Clause 3, which gives the power of imposing imprisonment in the failure of a defendant to comply with his sureties to be of good behaviour, is simply based on the same basis as the subsequent clause in the ordinance which gives a magistrate power to impose imprisonment where a man fails to enter into sureties to keep the peace. It appears to be an omission in the original ordinance and the object of the amendment is to put both on a basis of uniformity. As regards section 4, at the present time power to impose a whipping is confined to certain cases only and magistrates have found in cases of youths that they have had to impose imprisonment or let the youth go altogether. The object of this is to extend the power of whipping which is a salutary amendment. It is based on the principles which now prevail in all colonies as they do at home so as to authorize whipping instead of sending youths to prison. That power will have to be exercised with discretion but I submit it is a good one and will have a salutary effect. Instead of sending a youth to prison it empowers a magistrate to order him to be whipped. As regards section 5, the Ordinance recently passed affected the law imposing punishment by stocks and the Ordinance drafted by me was to the effect that punishment would only be imposed in cases of offences punishable by imprisonment. As my honourable and learned friend opposite remembers we had some difficulty at the time in considering the phraseology that would best meet the point in view and subsequently to the passing of the Ordinance it was brought to the notice of the Government that the Magistrates' Ordinance of 1890 gave power to a magistrate in all cases to impose a fine except in cases where he was empowered to impose imprisonment. The effect of that was to nullify to a great extent the provisions of the Ordinance as it stands and certainly it was entirely opposed to the intentions of the legislature which when the

subject was discussed was of opinion that the imposition of punishment by stocks should be modified in a degree. It was never intended to modify it to the extent which would be the case if the particular section of the Magistrates' Ordinance to which I referred was brought into operation. That being so, we felt it desirable to clear up the matter altogether so as not to nullify the effect of the existing legislation. The only object I have in view is to preserve what is in the Statute book and existing legislation. Since I have come to the Council to-day I find that my hon. and learned friend opposite has some doubts as to the wording of the clause as it stands at present. I can only say that the object of the clause—and that after full consideration of the subject by all the magistrates concerned and by those who have had any experience of magisterial courts—is simply to preserve existing legislation. I am quite sure I have Your Excellency's consent for saying that it is the intention of the Government to preserve the existing state of things and not to insist upon the imposition of stocks. With regard to clause 7, first section, clause 18, the Government intends to modify these proposals and a clause will be submitted to the Council upon which His Excellency will have some observations to make.

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY seconded.

HIS EXCELLENCE—I do not propose to discuss any of the various clauses alluded to by the hon. Attorney-General at the present moment but before we go into committee on the Bill I should like to say a few words regarding the first subsection of clause 7. The clause as it stands in the Bill before us makes spitting a nuisance and therefore it would devolve upon the police to enforce the law and to arrest persons who were breaking it. Since my attention was first directed to this subject, which is now many months ago, there have been several important and interesting debates in the Sanitary Board on the subject. It was proposed by some of the members that notices should be posted in public places prohibiting this habit and several gentlemen who have an intimate acquaintance with Chinese character considered that method would be effective. The hon. member who represents the Chamber of Commerce did not I think share that view entirely and was opposed to the policy of kaiser firs. In that I quite agree with him but I hope the amendment which will be proposed will meet his view. It is generally to the effect of empowering the Governor in Council to issue regulations should occasion demand and to attach penalties for the breach of these regulations. Although I think it would be preferable to publish notices in public places if there is any prospect of their being effective I am opposed to the issue of a prohibition which may be ignored with impunity and which the Government has no power to enforce. I therefore think that if such notices are published there should be means of enforcing them in case of their disregard. At the same time I think it is unnecessary to burden the statute book with another amendment to a bill which we have already under consideration. The insertion of the amending clause which is proposed will enable the master to be dealt with so far as the law is concerned without any further amendment to the Ordinance. As regards the question of the habit which we are discussing is not only a disgusting one which is not tolerated in any civilised city and against which I believed legislation has been enacted in America and quite recently in the Straits Settlements, but it is also one which in my opinion is detrimental to the public health. It has, I think, been amply demonstrated that tuberculosis disease is spread by this means. In the dry months before us mucus discharged from the mouth and nostrils dries in the sun, pulverised, hangs in suspension in the atmosphere, and is inhaled in the lungs of healthy persons. I myself am strongly opposed to paternal legislation which interferes with the convenience of the individual unless it can be demonstrated that convenience is exercised to the inconvenience of the majority or to the detriment of public health. I do not think it is necessary to require persons addicted to the habit of expectoration to move to the side of the pathway and expectorate in the drain or as regards public halls and stairways that they should be required to use spittoons which I think is reasonable and which owners should provide for the purpose. I confess my view on the necessity of taking action on this matter is based not merely or primarily on the social inconvenience of any particular part of the community as for instance soiling European ladies' dresses but on the ground that it is a danger to the public health and is in my opinion of very great hygienic importance. The exact terms of the amendment will be read to you in the committee stage and then you will have the opportunity of amending or altering them.

HON. MR. SLADE—Your Excellency, I intended to oppose the second reading of this Bill in view of sub-section 1 section 7 to which Your Excellency has just referred. I understand it is intended to entirely alter this clause. I think Sir, this is an important matter and it seems to me that it needs a great deal of consideration, lest some regulation may be confirmed which will cause annoyance to the Chinese community here. I am therefore of opinion that with Your Excellency's permission it might be better if we had time to consider the new form in which this clause is to be enacted instead of discussing it immediately this afternoon. I do not know if that meets with the views of other members but it seems to me an important thing which needs careful consideration.

HON. DR. HO KAI—Your Excellency, it was my intention also to oppose the second reading of this Bill, in fact I learned that my hon. friend who has just sat down wished to say something against the second reading and I left it to him to speak. Now, Sir, this Ordinance was introduced to further amend the Magistrates' Ordinance of 1890 and under the title of that it introduced one of the alterations in a former Ordinance which excited a good deal of discussion and consideration between myself and my colleague representing the Chinese on this Council and the learned Attorney General. After much discussion, as he has stated, we had fixed upon certain phraseology and that phraseology was set forth fully in the Stocks Punishment Limitation Ordinance of 1907. This Ordinance is to be repealed but I submit as we have been consulted before as to the phraseology of that Ordinance we should have been consulted as to the drafting of some clause which would meet the difficulty. Now the present substitution for that clause in section 5 reads (Quots). That includes a very large number of offences; in fact offences which in our previous discussion had been admitted on all sides to be offences which ought not to be punished by the stocks. Now in turning over the index attached to the revised Ordinance we find under "misdemeanour" a large number of offences, such as celebrating by a minister of an unlawful marriage, or marriage by unauthorised persons, disobeying an order of banishment, disturbing divine service at St John's Cathedral, fraudulent bankruptcy, removing adhesive stamps, false statements in registering births and deaths, and officers certifying false documents and so

have not consulted the Chamber of Commerce in this matter. The hon. unofficial member on my left referred to one of the clauses in the bill which makes the removal of adhesive stamps punishable by stocks. I presume the use of stocks in any case is exercised with the greatest possible discretion by officers to whom the power is granted. Speaking from my own personal experience I should say that the removal of adhesive stamp may lead to very serious frauds for a great number of years, and from a commercial point of view it is one of the most serious offences that can be committed and therefore I think the law officers of the Crown should have the widest possible powers to deal with the offence. If in certain cases the best means of punishment is the stocks I think that power should be in the hands of the law officers who can be trusted to exercise discretion. The main point under consideration however is clause seven, section three, subclause 18, with regard to spitting. The hon. unofficial member on my right and the hon. Chinese members have both suggested that the discussion on this question should be postponed. I do not see any necessity for that at all. The question is a very old one and they have had ample opportunity of considering and discussing it. I do not see that anything will be gained by postponing it for a few weeks or a few months. We will be no nearer to a solution than at the present moment. The hon. member on my left appears to think that the whole streets are spittoons. The penalties are for spitting on the street walks and in public buildings. In supporting this what I consider most wise and necessary reform on the part of the Government—I say I am the last member to support any grandmothers legislation—I believe that this is a really seriously demanded reform and it is perfectly idle to suppose by putting up notices and asking the floating-Chinese population of Hongkong to gradually learn that they must not spit in certain premises is a waste of time. Much better go to the root of the matter at once and legislate. Although it is not made much of in the official returns, tuberculosis is one of the most serious evils in Hongkong. We have an incredible number of deaths from tuberculosis which must be largely due to this disgusting habit. Therefore, Sir, I think the Government is perfectly right to ask for legislation now. We can trust the Government that it will not be unduly enforced in the first place. We will gradually educate the Chinese and other sections of the community into realising that they must not spit promiscuously where they please. I trust the Government will not delay the legislation but proceed with the matter at once.

THE ATTORNEY-GENERAL—In reply to the remarks of the hon. gentleman on the subject of stocks, I am glad to say as I told you before that this definition has been the subject of most mature consideration. My hon. friend will probably say that the other definition was probably so. It has been difficult to get a definition in anything like the exact terms of what we wish to carry out. I think, Sir, my hon. and learned friend will find that the alteration modifies the imposition of stocks.

I have a list here which shows the particular section of the community in which I have inserted the words as they appear, according to the view which I have taken of it, in which certain offences would not be included. For instance the Licensing Act,

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perhaps intending to do so. Habit is second nature and becomes a sort of involuntary act, and a provision of this kind would I am quite sure deter a great number of Chinese from visiting this colony or regarding it as a desirable place in which to live. We have already, Sir, had many experiences in measures dealing with sanitary improvement of the colony, and I would remind Your Excellency that we have recently been instrumental in promoting the diffusion of sanitary knowledge among the Chinese here who have been accustomed to expectorate not only at home but outside would constantly offend against the law without perhaps intending to do so. Habit is second nature and becomes a sort of involuntary act, and a provision of this kind would I am quite sure deter a great number of Chinese from visiting this colony or regarding it as a desirable place in which to live. 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CHIANG CHIU, British str., 1,232, A. Troan, 9th December—Singapore 28th November, General—
CHILLI, British str., 1,143, J. Warrack, 10th Dec.—Haiphong 5th and Hoihow 8th Dec., Rice and General—Butterfield & Swire.
CHIYUAN, Chinese str., 1,133, C. Steward, 10th Dec.—Shanghai 6th Dec., General—C. M. S. N. Co.
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CLAYDON, British str., 2,085, Gutt, 10th Dec.—Cardiff 14th Oct., Coal and Palms—Fuel—Dowdell & Co.
ICHTHA, Italian str., 3,481, Belkite, 10th Dec.—Bombay 17th, Colombo 21st, Penang 27th and Singapore 30th Nov., General—Carlowitz & Co.
NINGPO, British str., 1,228, E. Richards, 9th Dec.—Swatow 8th Dec., Ballast—Butterfield & Swire.
ZWEEMA, British str., 941, Ramsay, 10th Dec.—Samurang 29th Nov., General & Sugar-Chinese.

CLEARANCES.

AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE.
10th December.
Aldahan, British str., for Sydney.
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Keungwei, German str., for Swatow.
Lokwang, British str., for Shanghai.
Seveia, German str., for Singapore.
Singan, British str., for Singan.
Yean Maru, Jap. str., for Kuchinotzu.

DEPARTURES.

10th December.
AMAKA, British str., for Hongkong.
CHOSHUN MARU, Jap. str., for Swatow.
HAIMUN, British str., for Swatow.
HSINGHAN, Chinese str., for Shanghai.
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SHIPPING REPORTS.

The Chinese str. Chiquan reports: Strong gale from N.N.E. to Lamock, thence moderate weather.

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LONDON &c. VIA USUAL PORTS OF CALL...	DEVANHA	Brit. str. ...	—	W. Hayward, E.N.E. ...	P. & O. S. N. Co.	To-morrow, at Noon:
LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE &c.	PALERMO	Brit. str. ...	k. w.	J. B. Ferguson.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 16th inst.
MAESILLEES, &c. VIA PORTS OF CALL...	SCANDIA	Brit. str. ...	—	v. Döhren.	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE ...	On 22nd inst. at 1 P.M.
MAESILLEES, &c. VIA PORTS OF CALL...	DUMBEA	Fr. str. ...	—	Boyer.	MESSEGERIES MARITIMES ...	Beginning of January.
MAESILLEES, &c. VIA PORTS OF CALL...	DEVANHA	Brit. str. ...	—	C. D. Bennett, R.N.	MELCHERS & CO.	On 20th March.
MAESILLEES, &c. VIA PORTS OF CALL...	MACEDONIA	Jap. str. ...	—	H. Fraser.	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA ...	On 30th inst. at D'light
MAESILLEES, &c. VIA PORTS OF CALL...	HIRANO MARU	Jap. str. ...	—	N. Nielsen.	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA ...	On 23rd inst. at D'light
MAESILLEES, &c. VIA PORTS OF CALL...	WAKABA MARU	Jap. str. ...	—	Goo. Anderson.	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA ...	On 6th Jan. at D'light
MAESILLEES, &c. VIA PORTS OF CALL...	FANO MARU	Jap. str. ...	—	B. Wilhelmi.	MELCHERS & CO.	On 16th inst. at Noon:
MAESILLEES, &c. VIA PORTS OF CALL...	GOEBEN	Ger. str. ...	—	G. Rott.	SANDER, WIELER & CO.	On 16th March.
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MAESILLEES, &c. VIA PORTS OF CALL...	LYNNX	Brit. str. ...	2 m.	F. S. Cowley.	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 19th inst. at 7 A.M.
MAESILLEES, &c. VIA PORTS OF CALL...	TUDOR PRINCE	Am. str. ...	1 m.	J. Nagao.	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 2nd March, at Noon.
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MAESILLEES, &c. VIA PORTS OF CALL...	MONTAGLE	Brit. str. ...	—	L. Dawson.	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE ...	On 22nd inst. at 4 P.M.
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MAESILLEES, &c. VIA PORTS OF CALL...	TOSA MARU	Jap. str. ...	1 m.	K. Kawara.	MELCHERS & CO.	On 24th inst. at Noon.
MAESILLEES, &c. VIA PORTS OF CALL...	TAIWAN	Brit. str. ...	—	N. Mathieson.	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA ...	On 31st inst. at 5 P.M.
MAESILLEES, &c. VIA PORTS OF CALL...	NIKKO MARU	Jap. str. ...	—	H. Petersen.	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA ...	On 5th Jan. at 4 P.M.
MAESILLEES, &c. VIA PORTS OF CALL...	PRINZ WALDEMAR	Ger. str. ...	—	N. Mathieson.	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA ...	On 22nd Jan. at Noon.
MAESILLEES, &c. VIA PORTS OF CALL...	SHINANO MARU	Jap. str. ...	—	H. Koops.	JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN ...	To-morrow, at Daylight
MAESILLEES, &c. VIA PORTS OF CALL...	KUMANO MARU	Jap. str. ...	—	B. W. H. Snow.	J. & O. S. N. Co.	On 23rd inst. at Noon.
MAESILLEES, &c. VIA PORTS OF CALL...	KAWACHI MARU	Jap. str. ...	—	M. Winckler.	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA ...	Quick despatch.
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MAESILLEES, &c. VIA PORTS OF CALL...	TSUKIN	Brit. str. ...	—	F. Wheeler.	JARDINE, MATTHESON & CO., LTD.	To-day.
MAESILLEES, &c. VIA PORTS OF CALL...	DELTA	Brit. str. ...	—	Lee.	JARDINE, MATTHESON & CO., LTD.	On 13th inst. at D'light
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MAESILLEES, &c. VIA PORTS OF CALL...	KUTSANG	Brit. str. ...	—	Charbonnel.	MESSEGERIES MARITIMES ...	21st inst. at P.M.
MAESILLEES, &c. VIA PORTS OF CALL...	BARCELONA	Ger. str. ...	—	Block.	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE ...	Middle of January.
MAESILLEES, &c. VIA PORTS OF CALL...	PRESIA	Ans. str. ...	—	Pandolf.	JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN ...	On 3rd Jan.
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HOIHOW and HAIPHONG	"CHIHLI" ...	On 14th Dec., 10 A.M.
MANILA	"TEAN" ...	On 15th Dec., 3 P.M.
NINGPO and SHANGHAI	"YOCHOW" ...	On 15th Dec., 4 P.M.
SAMARANG and SOUBABAYA	"KUEICHOW" ...	On 17th Dec., 4 P.M.
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MANILA	"YUENSANG" ...	Friday, 11th Dec., 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	"KWONGSANG" ...	Sunday, 13th Dec., D'light
SHANGHAI	"TINGSANG" ...	Tuesday, 15th Dec., Noon.
SHANGHAI	"CHOYSANG" ...	Wednesday, 16th Dec., Noon.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & MOJI	"KUTSANG" ...	Wednesday, 16th Dec., Noon.
MANILA	"LOONGSANG" ...	Friday, 18th Dec., 4 P.M.
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Capt. Pasmore	FOOCHOW.	at Daylight
HAIMUN	SWATOW	SUNDAY, 13th Dec., 10 A.M.
Capt. Evans	SWATOW, AMOY &	TUESDAY, 15th Dec., Noon.
"HALYANG"	FOOCHOW.	at Noon.

FOR THE CONVENIENCE OF PASSENGERS, STEAMERS WILL ARRIVE AT AND DEPART FROM, THE COMPANY'S WHARF (NEAR BLAKE PIER).

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Hongkong, 11th December, 1908. 1579

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TAMSUI VIA SWATOW	"JOSHIN MARU" & AMOY	TUESDAY, 15th Dec., 8 A.M.

* These new Steamers have excellent accommodation for First and Second Class Passengers and are fitted throughout with Electric Light. First-class Cabins Amidships Unrivalled Table.

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Hongkong, 10th December, 1908. T. ARIMA, Manager. [13]

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NEXT SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG:

OUTWARD.

FOR SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE:

S.S. BARCELONA	... 17th Dec.
S.S. ANDALUSIA	... 3rd Jan. 09
S.S. SLAVONIA	... 17th Jan. 09
S.S. SAXONIA	... 27th Jan. 09
S.S. SPEZIA	... 8th Febr. 09

Further Particulars, apply to—

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE,
Hongkong, 30th November, 1908.

Hongkong Office. 12

HOMEWARD.

FOR HAVRE, ROTTERDAM & HAMBURG:

S.S. SCANDIA	... 22nd Dec.
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POST OFFICE NOTICE

Approximate times of closing mails at Shanghai via Dalny and Siberia.
 17th December... at 8.30 a.m.
 25th December... at 10.00 a.m.
 31st December... at 8.30 p.m.

The Delta, with the English mail of the 18th November, left Singapore on Saturday the 5th instant; at 8.30 a.m., and may be expected here to-day. This packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on the 18th Oct., and the parcel mails closed in London for despatch by the all sea route on the 4th November, and for despatch overland on the 11th November.

The *Ex* press of *Italia*, with the Canadian mail left Shanghai on Tuesday, the 8th inst., at 8 p.m., and may be expected here to-day.

TOE PER DATE
 Port Darwin, Thura y Isl., Cooktown, Cairns, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Melbourne, Adelaide, Perth and Fremantle...
 Amoy...
 Swatow and Shanghai...
 Shanghai...
 Haiphong...
 Saigon, Samrang, Sourabaya and Batavia...
 Macao...
 Singapore, Penang and Calcutta...
 Manila...
 Amoy, Shanghai and Yokohama...

SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, HONOLULU and SAN FRANCISCO
 (Will take letters to EUROPE marked VIA SIBERIA).
 (Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail. Extra Postage 10 cents).

Singapore, Penang and Bombay...
 Manila... India via Tumiorin...
 (Late Letters 11.00 A.M. to Noon Extra Postage 10 cents).
 (Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail. Extra Postage 10 cents).
 (Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail).
 The Parcel mail will be closed to-day at 1 p.m.

Macao...
 Amoy and Foochow...
 Shanghai...
 Swatow and Bangkok...
 Hoihow and Haiphong...
 Shanghai...
 Manila...
 Ningpo and Shanghai...
 Shanghai, Yokohama, Kobe and Muji...

EUROPE, &c., India via Tumiorin...
 (Late Letters 11.00 to 11.30 A.M. Extra Postage 10 cents).
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Shanghai...
 Samarang and Sourabaya...
 Manila...
 Cebu and Iloilo...
 Manila, Zamboanga, Fort Darwin, Thursday Island, Zamboanga, Fort Darwin, Thursday Island, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Melbourne, Adelaide, Perth and Fremantle...
 SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, VICTORIA and VANCOUVER (B.C.)
 A Supplementary mail will be closed on board at 6.30 a.m. on the day of departure (Will take letters to EUROPE marked VIA SIBERIA).)

COMMERCIAL

EXCHANGE
CLOSING QUOTATION.

December 10th.

ON LONDON—
 Telegraphic Transfer 18/4
 Bank Bills, on demand 18/4
 Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight 18/4
 Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight 18/4
 Credits, at 4 months' sight 18/4
 Documentary Bills, 4 months' sight 18/4

ON PARIS—
 Bank Bills, on demand 212
 Credits, at 4 months' sight 217

ON GERMANY—
 On demand 172

ON NEW YORK—
 Bank Bills, on demand 41
 Credits, at 60 days' sight 42

ON BOMBAY—
 Telegraphic Transfer 126
 Bank, on demand 127

ON CALCUTTA—
 Telegraphic Transfer 126
 Bank, on demand 127

ON SHANGHAI—
 Bank, at sight 75
 Private, 30 days' sight 76

ON YOKOHAMA—On demand 82

ON MANILA—On demand—Pesos 82

ON SINGAPORE—On demand 72

ON BATAVIA—On demand 101

ON HAIPHONG—On demand 91 p.m.

ON SAIGON—On demand 91 p.m.

ON BANGKOK—On demand 91

SOVEREIGN'S BANK'S Buying Rate \$11.70

GOLD LEAF, 100 fine, per tael \$61.50

BAI SILVER, per oz 223

SUBSIDARY COINS.

Chinese 20 cents pieces \$3.96 discount.

Chinese 10 " 85.17 "

Hongkong 10 " 85.63 "

Hongkong 10 " 85.75 "

OPIUM.

December 10th.

Quotations are—
 Malwa New \$1.80 per picoul.
 Malwa Old \$1.150
 Malwa Older \$1.200
 Malwa V. Old \$1.220
 Persian fine quality 880
 Persian extra fine 950
 Patna New \$1.090 per chest.
 Patna Old \$1.125
 Benares New \$1.015
 Benares Old —

Printed Matter and Samples..... 10.00 A.M.

Registration, 10.00 A.M.

(Registration, with letter fee of 10 cents, up to 10.45 A.M.)

Registration, Kowloon B.O. 10.00 A.M.

No late fee.

Letters 11.00 A.M.

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